

TABLE 8

Preparation of 2,6-dimethylnaphthalene having a high purity by crystallization with methanol
COMPARISON WITH EXAMPLE 1 OF EP 0792858

CRYSTALLIZATION CARRIED OUT AT: 20 °C

	Initial charge		% Methanol		Sol. 2,6 DMN 1.2%			Wet/Solid		31.53%		Panel	
			100.0%		Mothers			Solid		Wetting			
	g	% DMN	g	%	g	% DMN	%	g	% DMN	g	% DMN	g	% DMN %
MeOH			100.00	100.00%	92.11	166.76%	62.51%			7.89	166.76%	7.89	17.63% 14.99%
2,6DMN	48.73	48.73%			8.01	14.50%	5.44%	40.03	100.00%	0.69	14.50%	40.72	90.96% 77.33%
1,5DMN	8.54	8.54%			7.87	14.24%	5.34%	0.00	0.00%	0.67	14.24%	0.67	1.51% 1.28%
1,6DMN	41.12	41.12%			37.88	68.57%	25.71%			3.24	68.57%	3.24	7.25% 6.16%
Other	1.61	1.61%			1.48	2.68%	1.01%			0.13	2.68%	0.13	0.28% 0.24%
Total DMN	100.00				55.23			40.03		4.73		44.77	
Overall total			100.00		147.34					12.62		52.66	

Methanol (g) 100

Crystallization yield 83.6%

Washing with methanol carried out at: 20 °C

	Sol. 2,6 DMN 1.2%		Wet/Solid		9.11%		Panel	
	Washing		Washing liquid		Solid		Wetting	
	g	%	g	% DMN	g	% DMN	g	% DMN %
MeOH	42.00	100.00%	46.66	918.45%	90.18%		3.23	918.45%
2,6DMN			1.30	25.52%	2.51%	39.33	100.0%	0.09
1,5DMN	0.63	12.41%	1.22%		0	0.0%	0.04	12.41%
1,6DMN	3.03	59.73%	5.87%				0.21	59.73%
Other	0.12	2.34%	0.23%				0.01	2.34%
Total DMN		5.08			39.33		0.35	39.69
Overall Total	42.00		51.74				3.58	42.92

Overall Methanol (g) 142.0

Crystallization yield 80.9%

DELTA LOSS -43.2%

Sol. 2,6 DMN means: solubility of solid 2,6-DMF in the solvent